

**CLAIMS**

Claims 1-62 (canceled)

Claim 63 (currently amended) A method for enhancing absorption of sulfur in skin comprising

Applying a composition, wherein the composition comprises one or more high sorption bases, sulfur and one or more sulfur derivative, wherein the sulfur derivative comprises one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of ~~organic sulfides, inorganic sulfides, organic mercaptans, inorganic mercaptans, cationic sulfur compounds, H<sub>2</sub>S, sulfuric acid, bisulfides, sulfur dioxide, thiols and sodium sulfacetamide~~ and sodium thiosulfate, and wherein the high sorption base comprises one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of non-swelling clay and silicon; and

Absorbing sulfur in the skin, wherein the skin comprises one or more selected from the group consisting of epidermis, dermis, and stratum corneum.

Claim 64 (canceled)

Claim 65 (previously amended) The method of claim 63 wherein the composition has a pH of about 6.5 to about 8.1.

Claim 66 (previously amended) The method of claim 63 wherein the non-swelling clay, comprises a hydrated aluminum silicate.

Claim 67 (previously amended) The method of claim 63 wherein the non-swelling clay comprises kaolin.

Claims 68 to 69 (canceled)

Claims 70 (previously amended) The method of claim 63 or 65 wherein the sulfur derivative comprises sodium sulfacetamide.

Claim 71 (original) The method of claim 63 wherein the sulfur derivative is present at about 10%.

Claims 72-76 (canceled)

Claim 77 (previously amended) The method of claim 63 wherein the silicon comprises one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of silica, colloidal silica, colloidal hydrated silica, precipitated silica, silica gels, and silicon dioxide.

Claim 78 (previously amended) The method of claim 77 wherein the silicon comprises silicon dioxide.

Claim 79 (previously amended) The method of claim 63 wherein the composition further comprises water.

Claim 80 (original) The method of claim 79 wherein the water is present at about 40-50%.

Claim 81 (canceled)